

greater part of this going for the new buildings. In 1892 there were 1700 legal voters in the county.

The following men served this county as Sheriff J.C Arbogast, N.J McNeel, and R.W Hill. Those serving as assessors were E.H Moore, 1884, C.O Arbogast 1888. L.M McClintic elected Prosecuting attorney in 1888. Wm. Siple was the first janitor of our present court house. All the above were in the eighties and ninetys.

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Pocahontas County has had many toll gates and bridges throughout the county, the toll charged at toll bridges was for one horse 10 cts, for a vehicle and a horse 15 cts, a vehicle and two horses 20 cts and 5 cts for each additional horse to the vehicle and the rate for stock was 10 cts per score. The rate to our own county citizens was cheaper than to outside travelers. Some of these old toll houses having served their day were sold and toll collected elsewhere as was the case of the one at Academy which was offered for sale in 1873. In 1874 J. D. Price was appointed toll gatherer at Marlinton bridge he was to receive 25 % for his services the remainder to be turned over to the county, he collected \$ 70.00 in seven months. Mail carriers had a special rate of \$ 6.00 per annum.

Our present capitation tax was started about 1873 or 74. In 1874 it was deemed advisable by the court to build two clerks offices and repair the court house and it was put out to the lowest bidder which was George H. Moffett at \$ 2,000.00. Much of the time spent by our county court was to appoint surveyors of roads throughout the county and a list of these gentlemen selected 1876 are the following for district # 1 now known as Greenbank District James H. Galford, Claibourne ~~XXXXXX~~, Ashford, George W. Siple, James D. Kerr, Charles B. Collins, Warwick Hudson, ~~XXXX~~ Samuel I. Sutton, John E. Gum, Charles C. Burner, Cyrus Tallman, Brown Arbogast, George Beverage. For District

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for 2 or Edray District of today A. D Amiss, George Gibson, Samuel B. Moore
and John Ligon. For District # 3 or Huntersville District George H. McLaughlin,
Uriah Bird, Anderson Dilley, W. H. Corbitt, Josiah Dilley, Amos Curry, Charles
W. Sharp, Abraham Sharp, I Brown Moore, Preston Harper, Henry Sharp, Wm
Kelley, Lucas Moore, Wm F. Perry, Amos Barlow and John Burr. For district #4
or Little Levels Joseph S. Smith, Wm O. McCoy, Henry Clark, R. W. Hill, D. A. Peck,
Peter Hill, Abraham Hayes, Adam Pullin, Thomas F. Callison, Wm Callison, Abraham
Edmiston.

The overseers of the poor at that time were Uriah Hevener, Joseph Dilley,
Andrew Dilley and George Edmiston. With H. P. McLaughlin as clerk for
this board of overseers.

The salaries of the county officials of 1875 were Sheriff and Jailor
William L. McNeel \$ 225.00 Wm L. Arbogast commissioner of revenue \$ 350.00
William Curry Circuit and County Clerk \$ 250.00, John Ligon was president of
the County Court with William Baxter, Frances Dever, William L. Brown, John G.
Beard and Isaac McNeel other commissioners any three of them could act and
transact the routine business that came before the court each month. They
received from \$ 25 to \$ 30.00 a year. The court for 1877 was the following
Isaac McNeel, James Lockridge, John G. Beard, Davis C. Kinnison, William Baxter,
and Henry A. Y...